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# Secretary of Air Force and Mrs. Quarles Fly High At Twinings' Party In Their Honor

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THE AIR FORCE'S new Secretary, Donald Quarles, and Mrs. Quarles made their debut at an Air Force party yesterday with Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Nathan Twining and Mrs. Twining, as their hosts at a cocktail reception at Bolling Field's Officers Club.



Mrs. McNair

Secretary and Mrs. Quarles and Gen. and Mrs. Twining were surrounded by Air

Force wings for it was largely a service party. There were few diplomats present because Uruguay Ambassador Jose Mora explained many of his colleagues were in New York for the opening of U. N.

Defense Department heads were there, led by the Secretary Charles Wilson. Mrs. Wilson, he said, is returning today from their summer camp in Michigan.

The Air Force stringed orchestra, an accordionist, two bars, two long buffets helped to step things up, so that, by the end of the evening, conversation was at high pitch.

THE RECEIVING line stuck it out until the end,

never leaving their places at the entrance to the lounge. Both ladies wore ivory-colored frocks. Mrs. Twining's of lace, Mrs. Quarles' of taffeta, one with brown orchids pinned at the square neckline, the other with white orchids tucked in at the waist.

Almost all the officers wore one, two, three or four stars on their shoulders. There were Lieut. Gen. Idewild Edwards, and Mrs. Edwards; Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Robert Tate, Maj. Gen. Leigh Wade and Mrs. Wade, Brig. Gen. Charles Pottenger, and Mrs. Pottenger, Brig. Gen. James Ferguson, and Lieut. Gen. and Mrs. Charles Cabell.

GEN. STOYTE Ross and

Mrs. Ross, whose daughter, Melise, was Queen of the Cup Regatta, were telling friends that Melise is now at the University of Florida, but they hear from her almost every night and she's still talking about the fun she had as Queen.

Mrs. Lewis Strauss, wife of the Atomic Energy Commissioner, was there without Mr. Strauss who's on a speaking engagement. The two other commission members there were Dr. W. F. Libby, and Mrs. Libby, and Dr. John von Neumann and Mrs. Neumann.

Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Charles Thomas came late on their way to a dinner party.

GEN. MAXWELL Taylor, Army Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Taylor, were there and also Gen. Lemuel Shepherd,

Commandant of the Marines. Assistant Secretary of Defense Wilfred McNeil and Mrs. McNeil were present as was Assistant Secretary of Defense Carter Burgess, accompanied by pretty Mrs. Burgess in black with a fuchsia colored hat.

Mme. Muniz, wife of the Brazilian Ambassador, was wearing a black frock by Rodriguez in Madrid, and a Paulette hat from Paris. The Italian Ambassador and Signora Brosio and the Austrian Ambassador and Mme. Gruber were there, and I also saw the Finnish Ambassador, Johan Nykopp, the Honduran Ambassador and Senora de Izaguirre, Bradley Nash and Col. George Howard, head of the Air Force Band who's about to embark on a band tour of the U. S.